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Title

Method and Device for

**Correcting Proximity Effects** 

Examiner

**Douglas Shute** 

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ATTENTION:

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Patent Issue Division

Sir:

In accordance with 35 U.S.C. §254, we attach hereto Form PTO/SB/44 and a copy of proof of PTO errors and request that a Certificate of Correction be issued in the above-identified patent. The following errors appear in the patent as printed:

<u>Column 2</u>, Line 15, "K<sup>∀</sup> is the Hermitian" should read -- K<sup>∨</sup> is the Hermitian -- See Preliminary Amendment dated 12/15/2000, page 2, Line 6.

<u>Column 5</u>, Line 10, " $K^{\forall}$  is the Hermitian" should read --  $K^{\lor}$  is the Hermitian -- See Preliminary Amendment dated 12/15/2000, page 2, Line 15.

Column 8, Line 11, Claim 2, "is the Hennitian conjugate" should read -- is the Hermitian conjugate -- (See the Examiner's Amendment accompanying the Notice of Allowability dated March 4, 2005, page 2, Claim 20, Line 7. Claim 20 issued as Claim 2.)

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 2, Line 15, "K" is the Hermitian" should read -- K' is the Hermitian --

Column 5, Line 10, "K" is the Hermitian" should read -- K' is the Hermitian --

Column 8, Line 11, Claim 2, "is the Hennitian conjugate" should read -- is the Hermitian conjugate --

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# PATENT APPLICATION/PCT Attorney Docket No. 702-002116

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Dirk E. M. VAN DYCK : METHOD AND DEVICE FOR

and Piotr Tomasz JEDRASIK : CORRECTING PROXIMITY EFFECTS

International Application :

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#### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

#### **BOX PCT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application

as follows:

### **IN THE SPECIFICATION**:

Page 1, after the title, insert the following heading:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 1, after line 32, insert the following heading:

## --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 2, line 2, after "comprising" insert -- the steps--.

Page 2, after line 38, insert the following:

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$$-d^{(\ell)} = d^{(\ell-1)} + (K^{\nu}K + \lambda B(D))^{-1} K^{\nu} r^{(\ell-1)} \qquad r^{(\ell)} = a - K d^{(\ell)} - C$$

Page 3, line 6, delete "K\*" and substitute therefor --K'--.

Page 5, after line 27, insert the following heading:

#### --BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.

Page 6, after line 12, insert the following heading:

-- DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT---

Page 8, after line 14, delete

"
$$d^{(\ell)} = d^{(\ell-1)} + (K*K + \lambda B(D))^{-1} K*r^{(\ell-1)}$$
  $r^{(\ell)} = a-Kd^{(\ell)}$ "

and substitute therefor

$$-d^{(\ell)} = d^{(\ell-1)} + (K^{\nu}K + \lambda B(D))^{-1} K^{\nu} r^{(\ell-1)} \qquad \qquad r^{(\ell)} = a - K d^{(\ell)} - \frac{1}{2} r^{(\ell)} - \frac{1}{2}$$

Page 8, line 19, delete "K\*" and substitute therefor --K'--.

Page 11, after line 18, insert the following heading:

--Table 1--.

Page 11, line 33, delete "en" and substitute therefor -- and --.

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

Original claims 1-20 were amended during Chapter II proceedings by substituting new claims 1-18 in a letter dated October 30, 2000. Please cancel original claims 1-20 and cancel amended claims 1-18 and rewrite them as new claims 21-37 as follows:

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The MAILING DATE of this communication appear All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT R	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this ap or other appropriate communication IGHTS: This application is subject	oplication. If not included n will be mailed in due course. <b>THIS</b>
1. X This communication is responsive to <u>amendment filed 12/2</u>	<u>2/04</u> .	
2.  The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-17 (old 19-35)</u> .		
3. The drawings filed on <u>02 December 2004</u> are accepted by	the Examiner.	
4. ☑ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority unapplied as a claim for foreign priority unapplied as a claim for foreign priority unapplied as a claim for foreign priority unapplied unapplied as a claim for foreign priority unapplied unappl	been received. been received in Application No	·
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## DETAILED ACTION

## Allowable Subject Matter ·

- 1. Claims 1-17 (old 19-35) are allowed.
- 2. Included herewith as an appendix is an Examiner's Amendment which modifies the amended claims as submitted on 12/2/04 to carry the renumbering of the claims per original Office Action into the bodies of the various dependent claims.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Douglas M. Shute whose telephone number is (571) 272-3690. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anthony Knight can be reached on (571) 272-3687. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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March 4, 2005

Anthony Knight Supervisory Patent Examiner Group 3600

(Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 21, wherein step b) is determined utilizing the following iterative equation:

$$d^{(\ell)} = d^{(\ell-1)} + (K^{\mathbf{v}}K + \lambda B(D))^{-1} K^{\mathbf{v}} r^{-(\ell-1)}$$
with  $d^{(0)} = 0$  and  $r^{(0)} = a$ 

wherein a is a vector with the doses of the desired pattern as elements, d is a vector with the exposure doses of the precompensated pattern, K is the smearing function in matrix form,  $K^{V}$  is the Hermitian conjugate of the smearing function K, B is an operator and  $\lambda$  a regularization parameter.

3 21. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 22, wherein the operator B is defined as follows:

$$B(D) = \sum \left(\frac{d_i}{d_{tot}}\right) \ell n \left(\frac{d_i}{d_{tot}}\right)$$

in which the summation takes place over all pattern points,  $d_1$  is the  $i^{th}$  element of the vector d, and  $d_{tot}$  represents the summation over all elements of the vector d.

Wherein the final value of the regularization parameter in step e) is the regularization parameter

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( a_k - \left[ K d_k (\lambda) \right]_k \right)^2$$

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